



Fan or Follower? We know that this has been a difficult year for everyone. Being physically distant from family and friends has meant that at times we have dealt with feelings of being alone, and sometimes uncertainty. We pray that Hope Ridge has continued to be a bright spot of bringing the hope of Jesus Christ through online and in-person worship, small groups, and continued outreach to the community. It has been a difficult year, but God is still using each of us and our ministry together to transform the lives of people in our community and the greater world. We ask that you would pray seriously about how you can make an ongoing commitment of a tithe (10%) or intentional offering for the ongoing work of Hope Ridge UMC.

**We invite you to bring your commitments on Nov. 1 & 8.** As we mail-in or place our commitment cards in the offering plate, we are saying, "Yes Lord, may I be a blessing to others in the coming year."

**Please return an Annual Giving Card to join others in the life of the church to support the ministry of Hope Ridge in 2021.** Your annual gift reflects your tithes(10%) and offerings that allow us to provide staff support, open the doors of our church to community groups, and meet people throughout their life journeys in moments of celebration or pain. We ask that everyone return a commitment card, as it allows us to plan for your ministry for the coming year. You can always adjust your commitment if your situation changes by calling Bill Nahumck, our financial secretary, or leaving a message at the church office 440-352-2141.



Blessings and the peace of Christ,  
Rev. Beth Wilterdink



**Annual Giving Commitments begin Jan. 1, 2021 and continue through Dec. 31, 2021.**

### GIVING OPTIONS

#### • Cash or Check

Please make sure you identify yourself on the envelope or your check so Hope Ridge can provide a record for tax purposes. Your gifts can be placed in the weekly worship offering plate (envelopes are provided at the beginning of the year or available in the seats) or they may be mailed to Hope Ridge United Methodist Church, 9870 Johnnycake Ridge Road, Mentor, OH 44060.

#### • Scheduled Electronic Contributions

With automatic electronic transfers from your bank, you can reinforce your commitment to give your tithes and offerings to God first, before anything else. One easy step each year guarantees that the church will receive your gifts on a regular basis, even if you are out of town or forget one week. To establish an electronic funds transfer you will need to visit [www.hoperidge.com/donate](http://www.hoperidge.com/donate). When you click on "Donate to Hope Ridge," you will be taken to a secure page where you can enter the information needed to start your scheduled electronic contribution. If you need help or additional information, please contact Ed Root, our church treasurer at 440-352-2141.

#### • Other Ways to Contribute Electronically

You can also make ongoing electronic contributions at [www.hoperidge.com/donate](http://www.hoperidge.com/donate) when you click on "Donate to Hope Ridge." Or, there is an **Electronic Giving Kiosk** in the church narthex where you can conveniently make a donation by debit/credit card. And finally, you can **Give by Text**. Start by texting the amount you wish to contribute to 440-709-8120. Use a dollar sign before the amount. You will then be given a link to register. Once registered you can just text the contribution amount to 440-709-8120 at any time.

#### • Appreciated Stock

Stocks and other securities are a welcome gift. Many members have found the tax savings make this an ideal way to fulfill your commitment. For more information, contact Bill Nahumck, financial secretary at 440-352-2141.

#### • Planned Giving - Leaving a Legacy of Faith

Planned giving enables donors to make gifts to Hope Ridge as part of a donor's overall financial and/or estate planning in ways that maximize the gift and/or minimize its impact on the donor's estate. For more information, contact Bill Nahumck, financial secretary at 440-352-2141.

## 2021 ANNUAL GIVING COMMITMENT HOPE RIDGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Please Print Information

NAME

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

EMAIL

MAIN PHONE

### Yes! I/we pledge to give:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Weekly for 52 weeks, or

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Semi-monthly for 24 periods, or

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly for 12 months, or

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ As follows: \_\_\_\_\_

### I/We also plan to contribute toward Mortgage Reduction in 2021

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ As follows: \_\_\_\_\_

### Giving Options:

Cash or Check

Electronic Giving Kiosk or Give by Text

Appreciated Stock

New or Changes to Existing Scheduled Electronic Contributions

Please indicate the frequency of Scheduled Electronic Contributions. You may select the contributions start date when you sign up.

Weekly.

Monthly.

Previously Authorized Scheduled Electronic Contributions

Continue in 2021 without change.

Planned Giving

I/We wish to know more about including Hope Ridge United Methodist Church in our estate planning. Please contact me/us.

SIGNED

DATE

PRINT NAME

I/We have remembered Hope Ridge in our will or planned gift.